- (1) The financial condition of the museum as reflected in its financial statements;
- (2) The quality of the museum's plans for remedying any financial weaknesses in the museum's operations; and
- (3) The qualifications of the museum staff assigned to financial management activities.
- (f) Long-range plans. What is the quality of the museum's long-range plans for financial and program development? What are the museum's plans for the expenditure of the grant funds? IMLS considers such factors as:
- (1) The quality of the museum's longrange plans; how the museum proposes to implement them; how practical are the steps the museum plans to take to implement them?
- (2) The probability that the General Operating Support grant, if awarded, will assist the museum in carrying out its long-range plans;
- (3) In what manner will this grant, if awarded, contribute to maintaining, increasing or improving the museum's services?
- (g) Community commitment. How committed to the museum are its users and supporters? Does the museum have a substantial base of non-Federal support? Does it have a strong volunteer program? IMLS considers such factors as:
- (1) The quality and extent of the financial support that the museum receives from the private sector and other non-Federal sources and the extent to which this support is stable, broad-based and indicative of continuing community commitment;
- (2) The quality of the museum's volunteer program and its program of inkind contributions and their importance to the museum's annual operations; and
- (3) The commitment of its users to the museum as evidenced by such factors as participation in membership and docent programs, fund raising and other supportive activities.
- (h) Non-Federal support. To what extent, if any, will the General Operating Support requested enable the museum to increase its base of State, local and private funding in the year for which assistance is requested and beyond?

(i) Past use of IMLS funds (when applicable). Has the museum used its IMLS funds effectively? How and in what amounts and in what manner have they been used?

§1180.14 [Reserved]

§1180.15 Duration of grants.

The grantee may use grant funds during the period specified in the grant document unless the grant is suspended or terminated. If the grantee needs additional time to complete the grant, the grantee may apply for an extension of the grant period without additional funds. The Director may approve this extension at his or her discretion.

[57 FR 36905, Aug. 17, 1992]

§ 1180.16 Contributions, restricted accounts.

- (a) For a particular fiscal year, and for one or more programs, the Director may determine that an amount equal to the amount to be awarded (or a percentage thereof) to an applicant under the Act must consist of non-Federal funds contributed to the museum in excess of the non-Federal funds contributed to the museum for its immediately preceding fiscal year.
- (b) A museum shall maintain a restricted account for funds received under the Act.

[57 FR 36905, Aug. 17, 1992, as amended at 66 FR 47096, Sept. 11, 2001]

§1180.17 Reports.

In its final reports a grantee shall briefly detail how the expenditure of the grant funds has satisfied the proposed use of the funds as stated in its General Operating Support application or has accomplished the proposal as set forth in its application and has served the purpose of the Act as reflected in the applicable evaluation criteria in §1180.13.

[60 FR 63964, Dec. 13, 1995]

§1180.18 Maintenance of effort.

A grantee must be able to demonstrate a continuing effort to maintain or increase its base of financial support during the fiscal year for which it receives a grant from IMLS. A grantee successfully demonstrates